

# TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

## **Executive Committee Meeting**

#### Held via Videoconference

## Tuesday and Thursday, May 18 and 20, 2021

## **MINUTES**

## Tuesday, May 18, 2021

President Julie Spier, R.Ph., called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. via videoconference in accordance with the Office of the Texas Governor's suspension of applicable sections of Chapter 551 of the Tex. Gov't Code, effective March 16, 2020, in response to the disaster declaration issued March 13, 2020, for the State of Texas. Committee members present were Jenny Yoakum, R.Ph., and Donnie Lewis, R.Ph.

Staff present were Allison Vordenbaumen Benz, R.Ph., M.S., Executive Director/Secretary, and Kerstin Arnold, General Counsel.

Ms. Spier reviewed the interview procedures for the committee.

Mr. Lewis made the motion that the Board go into Executive Session to consider personnel matters under the authority of the Texas Government Code, Section 551.074. The motion was seconded by Ms. Yoakum and passed unanimously. President Spier declared the Board in Executive Session at 9:25 a.m.

At 2:42 p.m., President Spier announced that the Board would resume the meeting in Open Session. President Spier announced that no action was taken and no decisions were made during Executive Session.

Ms. Yoakum made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lewis and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:44 p.m.

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#### Thursday, May 20, 2021

President Julie Spier, R.Ph., called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. via videoconference in accordance with the Office of the Texas Governor's suspension of applicable sections of Chapter 551 of the Tex. Gov't Code, effective March 16, 2020, in response to the disaster declaration issued March 13, 2020, for the State of Texas. Committee members present were Donnie Lewis, R.Ph., and Jenny Yoakum, R.Ph.

Staff present were Allison Vordenbaumen Benz, R.Ph., M.S., Executive Director/Secretary, and Kerstin Arnold, General Counsel.

Mr. Lewis made the motion that the Board go into Executive Session to consider personnel matters under the authority of the Texas Government Code, Section 551.074. The motion was seconded by Ms. Yoakum and passed unanimously. President Spier declared the Board in Executive Session at 9:09 a.m.

At 2:22 p.m., President Spier announced that the Board would resume the meeting in Open Session. President Spier announced that no action was taken and no decisions were made during Executive Session.

President Spier explained that after tallying the interview scores, the aggregate high score belonged to Timothy Tucker, Pharm.D.

After discussion, Mr. Lewis made the motion to present to the full Board the recommendation that Dr. Tucker be hired as the new Executive Director/Secretary of the TSBP, upon the retirement of Ms. Benz.

Ms. Arnold clarified that the position would be offered to Dr. Tucker with a proposed start date of July 1, 2021, for training purposes, and then he would begin as Executive Director/Secretary on September 1, 2021. She explained that funding was available in the budget to accommodate Dr. Tucker's position for July and August.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Yoakum and passed unanimously.

Ms. Yoakum made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lewis and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

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APPROVED:

Julie Spier, R.Ph. President

Allison Vordenbaumen Benz, R.Ph., M.S. Executive Director/Secretary

August 3, 2021